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## Researcher speaks on big tobacco companies

Brian Rogers  
**ALMAGEST**

The tobacco industries' most outspoken enemy, Dr. Victor DeNoble will be here at LSUS at the U.C. theater on Tuesday May, 11th at 6:00 PM. He will speak on the real effects of nicotine.

According to Barbara Williford, the project coordinator, DeNoble was a key witness against his former employer, cigarette maker Phillip Morris. He was a featured guest on 60 minutes and Dateline. His presentation, Inside the Dark Side, DeNoble talks about the money that tobacco companies spend to find out why smokers smoke and how to keep them smoking. He will talk about Phillip Morris's top secret lab and

nicotine's effects on animals.

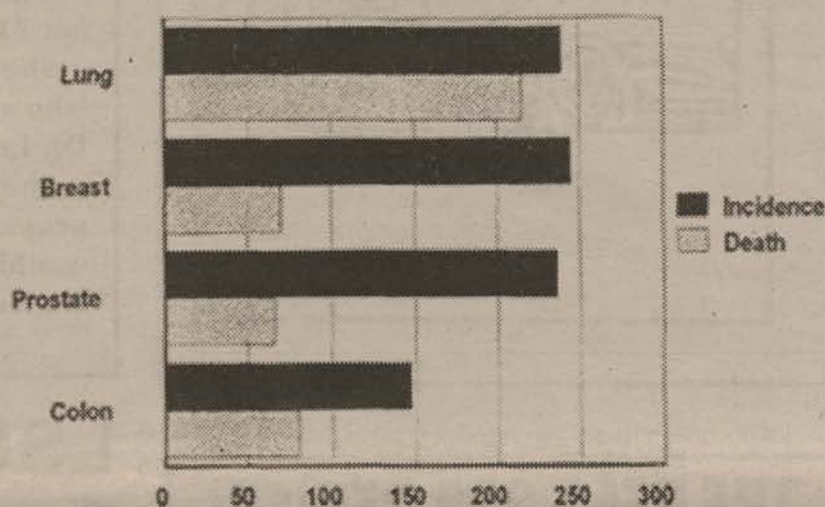
The presentation will also cover the nicotine substitute that didn't elevate heart rates, proof that nicotine is a highly addictive drug, and how a discovery DeNoble made was used to boost the effects of nicotine.

The presentation will be free and refreshments will be served. It is sponsored by Willis-Knighton, the American Cancer Society, pharmaceutical company, Glaxo Wellcome, and LSUS division of continuing education.



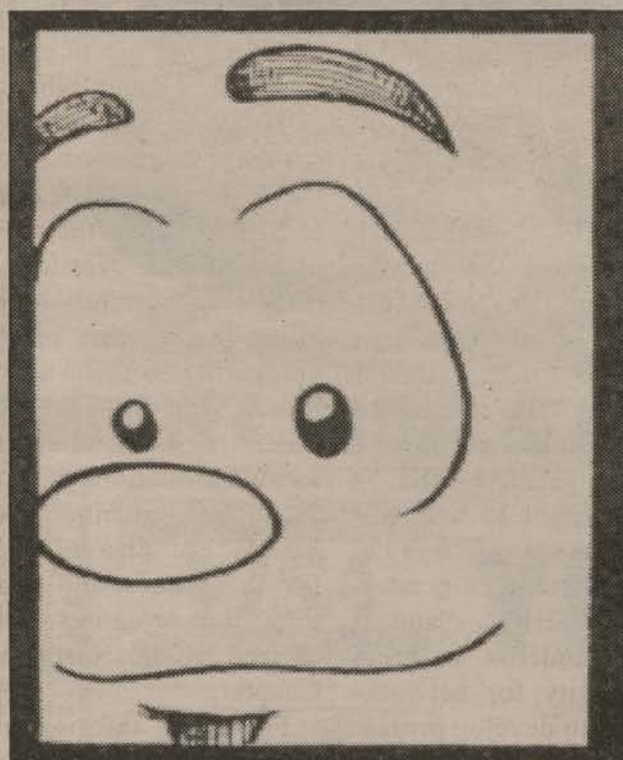
Williford

### Caddo-Bossier Parish Cancer Statistics



Caddo-Bossier Parish Cancer statistics provided by the Louisiana Tumor Registry and Office of Public Health shows lung cancer is the leading cause of cancer-related death in the area.

### Next Week In The Almagest



G.K. Trusty, Jr.

Things are going to be changing for the better in the Fall semester. The Almagest cartoonist Jeremy Johnson, who does the cartoons in "A Little Something Different," will be expanding to a full comic strip called "Eleventeen." An introduction of the characters can be seen next week in the Almagest.

## Cruelty suspect previously detained for marijuana

Kirk Dickey  
**ALMAGEST**

An LSUS student worker accused of killing a cat and possession of a schedule 1 controlled dangerous substance, was detained two years ago for allegedly smoking marijuana on campus according to campus police reports. Vice Chancellor says she has not heard concerns from students about the case.

Thomas Emmett Tunnell, now 43, was questioned on Jan. 6, 1997, by LSUS Campus Security Officer Kerry Anderson after Don Bloxom, the assistant physical plant manager, complained of the smell of marijuana near the science building. Upon

being questioned, Tunnell admitted smoking marijuana and swallowing the remaining amount in his possession, the police report said.

Tunnell, a criminal justice major, was not charged with possession of a controlled substance because there was not enough evidence. He resigned from his position with the physical plant after the incident, but was later re-hired by the University Center.

Bloxom confirmed the officer's report, but would not comment on Tunnell's personality or work habits.

Gloria Raines, vice chancellor of student affairs, said Tunnell, who is currently working on a campus beautification project, is a

unique person.

"He is very focused on getting his degree," Raines said. "He has been a very pleasant person to deal with."

Tunnell, who is accused of torturing, killing and eating a calico cat Jan. 4, was on probation for a prior Bossier City drug conviction when he turned himself in on animal cruelty charges. During a subsequent search of Tunnell's home, police reportedly found drug paraphernalia, pills, and suspected marijuana.

Raines would not comment on the drug charges against Tunnell, but she does not think Tunnell, who owns a dog himself, killed the cat.



Tunnell



## A Little Something Different.....



## ALL THE LSUS PEOPLE

By Genna Angyles  
**ALMAGEST**

**Name:** Paula Lewis  
**Job Title:** Director of Student Development and Counseling  
**Place of Birth:** Wyandotte, Michigan  
**Currently Lives In:** Shreveport



*Paula Lewis*

Paula Lewis is the Director of Student Development and Counseling here at Louisiana State University, Shreveport. She was born in Wyandotte, Michigan on January 5, 1953. She attended this university, and acquired her bachelor of science degree in psychology in 1980. Then she attended Stephen F. Austin State University where she acquired her Masters degree in psychology in 1982.

She is married to Eric Lewis, a teacher, and they have two children, who are Megan, age 13, and Tiffany, age 26. Tiffany has also made Dr. Lewis a grandmother with two children ages 3 and 4.

She likes this school because she feels it is special, with its size and people here. She loves working with the students. She says, "I wouldn't trade this job, so I feel real lucky." She also loves seeing the students cross the graduation stage.

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Amanda Ellis  
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The Society for Human Resource Management (SHRM) is a campus organization offered to all LSU-S students to provide information about and to acquaint students who are considering a career involving human resource man-

agement or labor relations.

The student chapter of SHRM is accredited by the state chapter of Human Resource Management, and the Northwest Louisiana Chapter of SHRM, located in Shreveport. The LSU-S chapter of SHRM and the Northwest Chapter meet on a monthly basis and the Northwest Chapter offers excellent programs for the student chapter. "The Northwest Chapter is so supportive and cooperative and is always eager to help our club in any way," says Dr. Gwen Smith, faculty advisor for SHRM, "and it gives students a great opportunity for networking and to develop professional connections within the community."

One unique feature of this organization is that it offers a mentorship pro-

gram to student members called "Job Shadowing". In "Job Shadowing", students spend a day with a member of the Northwest Chapter, and get to experience first-hand what a workday in the field of human resources entails.

Another special feature of SHRM is that the president of the Northwest Chapter is currently compiling the resumes of the graduating student-members to send to the various other regional chapters located around the state.

Student members of SHRM are also eligible for a scholarship and internship programs, both offered by the Northwest Chapter.

For more information, please contact Dr. Gwen Smith (797-5024), SHRM president, Stephen Hullett, or vice president, Courtney Kiser.

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# Net teaches critical thinking

**Brian Rogers**  
**THE ALMAGEST**

Elizabeth Fincher, a freshman here at LSUS, is having a problem writing her term paper. The problem, she explains, is that her professor will not allow her to use internet sources. The recent advances in campus technology have left students and professors scrambling to understand the value of information.

Dr. Laurene Zaporozhetz, dean of the library, says that she tries to help students and faculty decipher the information that is now so readily available to LSUS students.

She said in an interview, "There are three myths that hinder open communication about the internet."

■ Myth 1-

Plagiarism is easier on the internet.

■ Myth 2 - The internet is just full of pornography.

■ Myth 3 - The internet is just gossip, anyone can put anything on the internet.

Assistant professor of English Evelyn Herring echoed Dr. Zaporozhetz by saying that her students have turned in poor sources from the internet on major papers. Herring said, "Students will turn in 30 pages of junk and call it research."

Dr. Laurie Morrow, English professor, said, "There is a lot of information on the internet, some good, some bad. Everyone will soon be getting their information from the world wide web. People have to take a critical look at information."

Morrow said that she

is trying to teach critical thinking about the internet by assigning a "web-liography." Students must put together a paper about websites using internet resources.

Dr. Linda Martin, associate professor of communications, said, "Students have to cultivate critical thinking to evaluate the credibility of their sources. The medium of communication is irrelevant in evaluating the quality of the content."

Dr. Zaporozhetz said the format should not matter. She said, "A student wouldn't use a paperback romance for scholarly research. Students and teachers should know the difference between what is acceptable and what is not."

She continued by saying that professors

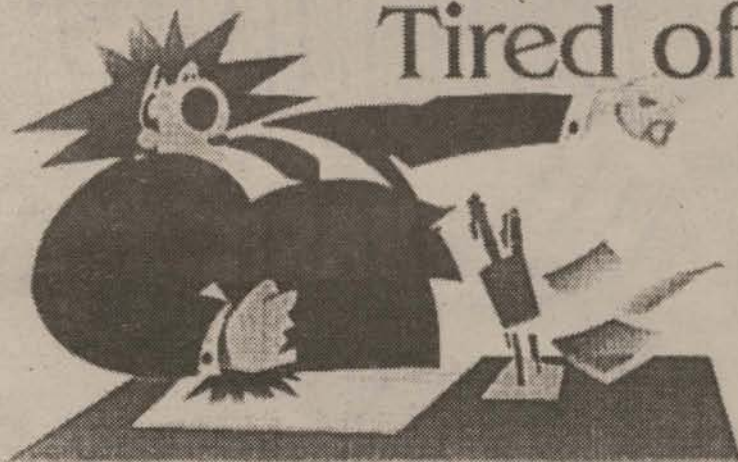
who don't allow internet sources are severely limiting the scope of their students learning experience. She said, "I would be equally suspicious of a teacher who specified a single library that a student can access."

## Online Dictionary at Noel Memorial

The Noel library has subscribed to an online 34 volume art dictionary. Students can access it at on campus or at home. It cover worldwide art date back to pre-historic times. The address is <http://www.groveart.com>. No password is needed. The trial subscription ends on May 7, 1999. The Noel library does carry the print version also.

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## Letters Policy

The *Almagest* requests your reactions through Letters to the Editor. Letters should be typed and double spaced. Please include your class and major field of study.

Letters should be submitted to *The Almagest* office, BH 344, by noon on the Friday preceding the Thursday publication date. Obscene, libelous and anonymous letters will not be printed.

The *Almagest* reserves the right to edit letters.

# Mudbugs are heating up for LSUS Pre Cram Jam

**Lindsey Fertitta**  
**ALMAGEST**

Student Activities ends this semester with a yearly routine, Pre Cram Jam, on Tuesday, May 4, from 10:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. This year's Pre Cram Jam will offer something for everyone.

This year 12 local restaurants will be catering the event. There will be something for everyone, from the meat lovers to veggie lovers to dessert lovers. For the meat lovers there will be crawfish (Shavers), alligator (Savoies), chicken parmesan (Semolina), beef tacos (Superior Grill), BBQ beef (The Hickory Stick), Cajun gumbo yaya (Copeland's), sweet and sour chicken (Kon Tiki)

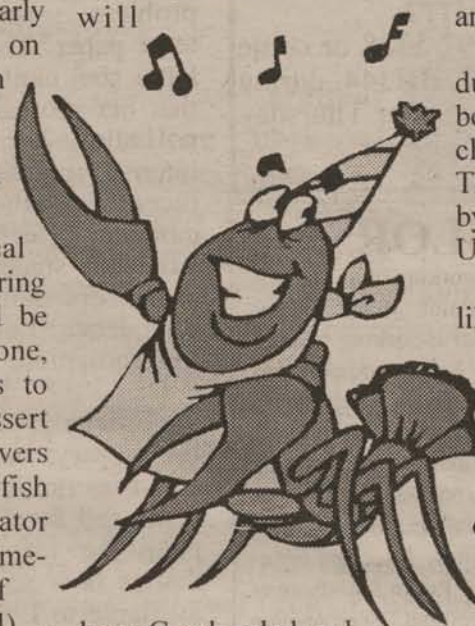
and mini meatballs (Monjuni's). Olympic Market is catering for the vegetarians. They will

care of you. They will have such desserts as cookies, King Cake, sticky buns, petit fours, caramel cake, and brownies.

Other activities going on during Pre Cram Jam will be wax hands, photo keychains, and caricatures. The music will be provided by the swing band "Set 'Em Up Joe."

All students who would like to partake in the event must have a coupon.

Students can pick up the coupons on Monday, May 3, in the U.C. from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. All students must have a valid I.D. If you do, I.D.s will be taken in the Student Activities Room in the U.C. from now until Monday, May 3. If you lose your ticket, you must pay \$5 for a new one.



have Greek salad and veggie lasagna. For those with a sweet tooth, The Dough Basket and Julie Anne's Bakery will take

Don't wait in line, get your tickets early  
May 3rd, 10-2pm in Student Activities

# Pre-Cram Jam '99

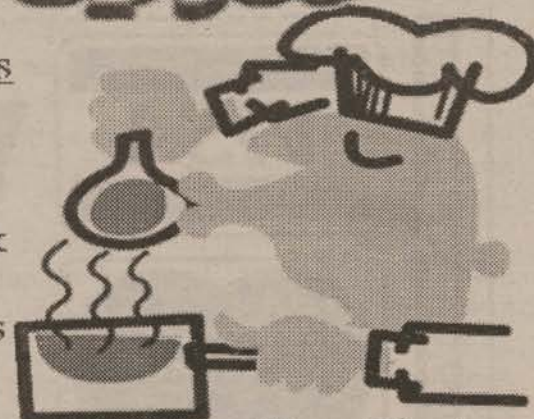
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- \*Semolina \*Superior
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## Spring Invasion ignored by LSUS students, staff

Niesha McCoy  
**THE ALMAGEST**

Spring Fling 1999 was an exciting experience for some LSUS students. However, several LSUS students missed the big event. "I didn't go to Spring Fling this year because I live about 30 minutes from school, so it's a lot of trouble for me to come back up here after class is over," said Jennifer McCain, senior journalism major.

"The weather for this year's Spring Fling really didn't put me in a festive mood, so I decided to stay home," said Melissa

Fair, a 20-year-old education major. Whether it was due to inconvenience or weather conditions, there was not a big

turn out for this year's Spring Fling. However, Spring Invasion '99 was still a success. "I had a great time at Spring Fling — making my own video was just one of the many activities that I participated in," 18-year-old freshmen Kimberly Denton said.

"I needed something to get my mind off things and Spring Fling did just that — I had a blast," 19-year-old freshmen Carlos Johnson said. Unfortunately those who missed this year's festivities missed a treat, but there is always another spring and with spring comes LSUS Spring Fling.



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# LSUS students get medieval in Dallas

Lindsey Fertitta  
G.K. Trusty  
**ALMAGEST**

Student organizations from all over campus came together for a day long trip to Dallas. The trip was organized by Chris Edney, vice president of the Japanese Cultural Society, to build a bond between students and their organizations for which they represent.

Those student organizations represented were Society of Professional Journalists, Public Relations Student Society of America, Japanese Cultural Society, Society for Human Resources Management, American Humanics, The History Club, Student Activities Board, and Student Government Association.

The trip began early Saturday morning in the Bronson Hall parking lot. The posse of students

hitched up the wagons and headed west to the "Big D."

Our first stop was in Tyler, Texas, home of the Tyler Rose. The group was in need of water, and McDonald's supplied the trough.

After getting split up on the long stretch of I-20, the wagon train met up at our first destination, Ripley's Believe It or Not and the Wax Palace. We entered the sacred halls of the Palace and were greeted by David Letterman and Forrest Gump. Throughout the tour, the student group encountered wax figures throughout history. Some of the figures included The Three Stooges, Adolf Hitler, The Phantom of the Opera, and Jesus Christ.

Ripley's Believe It or Not was the next stop. Some real "believe it or not" facts awaited the



Photo Courtesy of Medieval Times

It was truly a "medieval time" in Dallas for the student organization representatives from LSUS.

group inside. For instance we learned that a chicken can get sucked into a jug by a tornado - Believe It OR Not.

Finally, chivalry awaited the group. Medieval Times was the groups last stop for the day. They

were wine and dined by surfs and winches of the palace. The group was blessed by the King and introduced to our Knight in shining armor. The Yellow Knight fought for our honor while we devoured an entire chick-

en with our bare hands (silverware was not provided). Even though our beloved Yellow Knight bit the dust (literally), we went home full and satisfied.

And for all those organizations that attended this years event, we say "All Hail- Hip Hip Hooray!!"

## SAB provided a little soul with Jazz Etc.

Kathleen McNelis  
**ALMAGEST**

Approaching the UC Center last Thursday, would have set anyone's feet tapping and their body grooving as the soulful sound of Jazz Etc. filled the early evening sky here at the LSUS campus.

"A Night of Jazz," sponsored by Student Activities, invited the eight member band to our campus in celebration of the Jazz season in Louisiana. Jazz created their own modern ensemble to further celebrate all forms of music. Band leader and drummer, Byron Jordan, describes his group's interpretation of Jazz as "mainstream, yet, we try to encompass all genres. From New Orleans to

traditional to Funk to R&B to Latin, we try to play it all." And they did a wonderful job. Jonathan Fox, a student at LSUS and a member of Student Success, was very impressed by the band. "They are really good! Next time you hear about them, stop by and check them out!"

If you are interested in hearing Jazz Etc., they will be performing at the Jazz and Samba Festival on the Friday of Mother's Day weekend, May 7, they hope to see you there! Byron Jordan would also like to mention that they are always available for you next event! So, give them a call. Contact the Student Activities office if interested.

## The last challenge of a socially conscious society?

Depression strikes millions— indiscriminately. Depression is simply a suppression of brain activity that makes life unbearable. And even though depression is readily treatable, only 1 in 5 ever seeks treatment. Why do so many just drag themselves along or eventually seek relief through suicide? First, there's the lack of awareness of depression— as an illness and as the threat that it is to each and every one of us. Second, there's the unwarranted negative stigma attached to it. You know, the 'mental' thing. It's time to collectively face depression. To know it's an illness, not a weakness. And it's a challenge that's long overdue. It's taken too many of us already.

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# CAMPUS ORGANIZATIONS

## Accounting Club

Meets: 3rd Wed. of each month, Noon, BE216  
Activities: Speakers, Networking, Scholarships, Volunteer Tax Assistance, Campus Activities  
Contact: Accounting dept., college of business

## ACJS/Lambda Alpha Epsilon

Meets: 1st and 3rd Tues of each month.  
Activities: Various community activities, speakers on law enforcement ops.  
Contact: Dr. Bernadette Palombo 797-5343, or Richard Georgia 797-5078.

## ACM, Association for Computing Machinery

Meets: 3rd Thu of each month, 10:30, in SC210. Activities: speakers, contests, social activities. Contact: Steve Noonan, 949-2831  
AITP, Association of Information and Technical Professionals  
Meets: 3rd Thu of each month, 10:30, in SC120. Activities: speakers, scholarships, social activities. Contact: Rebecca Herzog 861-6460

## American Humanics

Meets: First Thursday of every month, at 10:30 a.m. in Bronson Hall 355.  
Activities: Certification of students working in non-profits.  
Contact: Norman Dolch 797-5235

## Baptist Student Union

Meets every Wed. at noon and Thurs. at 7 p.m. in the BSU. Activities: Bible Studies, luncheons, community service, social events. Contacts: Ashley Cagle or Keith Reed, 797-1946

## Bacchus

Meets: Twice a month, BE 211. Activities: Sponsor of "Alcohol Awareness Week" and "National Collegiate Alcohol Awareness Week"; Mocktail "Happy" Hours. Contact: Jennifer Medina 795-3391

## Biology Club

Meets: Twice a month, SC228. Activities: social activities, career seminars, fundraisers, community and campus service projects.  
Contact: Dr. Beverly Burden, 797-5088, bburden@pilot.lsus.edu

## Campus Ministry

Meets: 1st and 3rd Tues., 10:30 a.m., UC Pilots Room  
Activities: devotionals, programs, service projects  
Contact: Toni Bishop, 798-8837 or Betsy Eaves, 869-5024

## Catholic Student Union

Meets: Twice a month  
Activities: Community service, social events, fundraisers  
Contact: Joseph Holubek 868-6104

## Chemistry Club

Meets: 1st Thurs. of each month  
Activities: group  
Contact: Dr. Gustavson, 797-5091

## Chi Alpha

Meets Tuesdays at 7 p.m. in U.C. Activities: Dramas, community service, social events  
Contact: Kelly Honey, 635-0710

## Colleagues

Meets: twice a month, TBA Activities: community service, social activities, campus service projects, raising funds for a minority scholarship. Contact DeWayne Pettey at 631-9391 or 635-5686

## Drama Club

Meets: Tues., Thurs., 10:30 a.m., BH330  
Activities: Dramatic production, first hand information on auditions in local productions, volunteer work  
Contact: Jorgi Jarzabek, 797-5228

## English Club

Meets: 3rd Thurs. of each month  
Activities: Booksale, guest speakers, social activities  
Contact: Dr. Thomas Dubose, BH 251, or Patty Lenox, 869-3251

## Golden Z Club

Meets: 2nd Tue of each month, 10:30.  
Activities: volunteer work, tutoring, community projects. Contact: Timothy Chia, 795-3372

## Health and Physical Ed. Club

Meets: Tues, Thurs. 10:30 a.m.  
Activities: Almost Anything Goes for LSUS, judge field days for elementary schools.  
Contact: Maxie Foster, 797-7294

## History Club

Meets: First Tuesday of each month, at 10:30 a.m. in BH 446.  
Activities: Annual LSUS History Fair, Pioneer Heritage Center, Trips in the Field, Research Seminars, and History Stuff.  
Contact Dr. Milton Finley, 797-5337 or Gary Joiner 797-4176.

## International Club

Meets: 1st Thurs. of each month, 10:30 a.m., in BH236 (Foreign Language Multimedia Lab)  
Activities: Guest speakers, films, travel and foreign exchange information, International Food Festival, community service.  
Contact: Joe Patrick, 797-5390

## Japanese Cultural Society

Meets: 2nd and 4th Tues of each month  
Activities: demonstrations, discussions  
Contact: Emi Wamsley, 861-7482, BH238, BH240

## Louisiana Association of Educators, LAESP

Meets: 3rd Thurs. of each month  
Activities: Student teacher tea, speakers, book-fair, workshops, and service projects  
Contact: Melissa Jones, 746-0597, or LAESP@yahoo.com

## Math Club

Meets: 2nd and 4th Tues. of each month, 10:30 a.m., BH 421  
Activities: Group activities, Science Olympiad, Viro-Wars Tournament  
Contact: Julien Doucet, 797-5331  
jdoucet@pilot.lsus.edu or David Fletcher, Dave228@yahoo.com

## MBA Association

Meets: Once a month  
Activities: seminars with guest speakers on career planning and resume writing, social activities  
Contact: Director of Graduate Studies, College of Business  
National Association for the Advancement of Colored People (NAACP)

Activities: It is an inter-faith, interracial, non-partisan, social action group.  
Contact: Angela Holmes at Email: Aholmes@studentmail.lsus.edu.

## Psychology Club

Meets: 1st and 3rd Thurs. Monthly, 10:30, BE342  
Activities: Community service, social events, speakers, fundraisers  
Contact: Diane at 797-0015 or Dr. Jimmie Smith at 797-5048

## Public Relations Student Society of America

Meets: Monthly, Thurs., 10:30a.m.  
Activities: Volunteer work, contact with PRSA, seminars, speakers, workshops  
Contact: Jaime Lyons

## Rotorac

Meets: Two meetings per month  
Activities: Students service organization, one service project per semester, luncheons  
Contact: Dr. Paul Merkle, 797-5240

## Society of Professional Journalists, Sigma Delta Chi

Meets: TBA  
Activities: guest speakers on topics of the field related to journalism, socials  
Contact: Lindsey Fertitta, 797-5328

## Society for Resource Management

Meets: BE104. Activities: speaker meetings, prof. Chapter Meetings, various activities.  
Contact: Eric Gates, 797-9798

## Students for Free Enterprise (SIFE)

Meets: Thu, 10:30. Activities: Teaching Junior achievement. Contact: Dr. Chadwick 742-9357

## Sociology/Social Work Club

Meets: BH361  
Contact: Ms. Kenna Franklin or David O'Neal, 424-7332

## Student Government Association

Meets: Every Mon, 6:30 p.m., DeSoto Room  
Open to everyone.  
Contact: Nick Crafts. 797-5342

Join **SAB** Today

Meetings: Every Thursday At 10:30am in UC 228

Remember these upcoming events:

**Talent Show: Win Up To \$200!**

Entry Forms in UC 232 or Call 797-5393 or 798-4103  
Apr. 13 at 7:30pm  
UC Theater

**Spring Fling Apr. 14/15: Sign Up Sheets in UC 229**  
Featuring Laser Tag and Virtual Reality  
6-10pm Apr. 14  
10-2pm Apr. 15

**Tues. Night Unplugged: Comedian Eivira Kurt**  
Apr. 20 at 7:30pm  
UC Ballroom

**Spencers: Magic and Illusions**  
Fun For The Whole Family!  
Apr. 27 at 7:30am  
UC Theater

**Pre-Cram Jam '99 (Free Food Extravaganza)**  
May 4 at 10:30am until 2:00pm  
UC Mall

All Events Are Free To LSUS Students

# CAMPUS CALENDAR

## Spring 1999 Final Exam Schedule

		Exam Date				
		Friday May 7	Monday May 10	Tuesday May 11	Wednesday May 12	Thursday May 13
Exam Time	8:00 a.m.	8:00 MWF	9:00 MWF	7:45 TT	7:00 MW	8:10 TT
	10:30 a.m.	11:00 MWF	12:00 MWF	11:15 TT	10:00 MWF	
	1:00 p.m.	1:00 MWF	2:00 MWF			12:40 TT
	3:00 p.m.	4:00 MWF	3:00 MWF	3:30 TT	4:30 W	
	5:00 p.m.		4:30 M	4:30 TT	5:00 W	
			5:00 M	5:00 TT	5:15 M	
			5:30 M		5:30 W	
	7:00 p.m.		6:00 MW	6:00 TT	6:30 W	6:00 TT
				6:30 TU		6:30 TH

- Any class time not listed on this schedule would have the exam time of the closest hour.  
Example: A 12:30 MW class would have the same exam as a 12:00 MWF class.
- Saturday classes will have final examinations on Saturday, May 8, at the regular class time.
- Each examination is scheduled for a two hour period.
- Examinations in science labs and HPE courses will be given at the last class meeting.
- A student with 3 or more exams in one day may petition through his/her Academic Dean to take only 2 exams on the same day.